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Lawn, Lingerie and Damask Waists, long and short sleeves. Regular prices \$1.25 to \$1.98. You will have your pick during this sale at

Heatherbloom Petticoats in Black and colors. Regular \$2.49 values. During this sale

Men's Suits

Here you will find the finest array of Men's Clothing from some of the best makers in the clothing world.

Men's All Worsted French Serge and Peasdale Serge Suits, made with fancy cuffs and pockets, others plain; were sold at \$15.00, \$18.00 and \$21.00. We are obliged to sell them at

100 Men's Suits in single and double breasted styles, at positively one-third of their regular value, at

Men's Working Pants made of Black Thibet and Meltons, worth \$1.50 and \$2.00, at

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SHAKESPEARE'S TOMB.

It Would Be Desecrators and the
Poet's Imprecation.

The fact that would be desecrators of Shakespeare's tomb have not dared to risk the falling of the curse invoked in the lines cut upon his tomb is a striking testimony to the powerful effect upon mankind of such an imprecation. J. Q. Halliwell-Phillips, writing in the eighties, said:

"The nearest approach to an excavation in the grave of Shakespeare was made in the summer of the year 1796 in digging a vault in the immediate locality, when an opening appeared which was presumed to indicate the commencement of the site of the bard's remains. The most scrupulous care, however, was taken not to disturb the neighboring earth in the slightest degree, the clerk having been placed there till the brickwork of the adjoining vault was completed to prevent any one making an examination. No other whatever were visible through the small opening that thus presented itself, but the poet was buried in the ground, not in a vault, the great probability is that dust alone remains. It is not many years since a phalanx of trouble makers, lanterns and spades in hand, assembled in the churchyard at Stratford-upon-Avon, on the occasion of the centenary of Shakespeare's death, and the bones of Shakespeare were not to be disturbed. But the supplicatory lines prevailed. There were some among the number who at the last moment refused to incur the warning condemnation, and so the design was happily abandoned."

A correspondent of the London Athenaeum wrote in 1881: "I remember on a visit to the grave of Shakespeare in 1827 or 1828 remarking that it was little creditable to the authorities that the raised covering to the tomb should have been allowed to fall into such decay, for I could see into the grave through the hole formed by the sinking of the stones. The reply was that, 'on account of the anathema inscribed upon the tomb,' no workmen could be permitted to meddle with it."

An earlier incident is thus set forth by a contributor to the Monthly Magazine of Feb. 1, 1818: "Notwithstanding the anathema pronounced by the bard on any disturber of his bones, the church wardens were so negligent a few years ago as to suffer the sexton in digging the adjoining grave of Dr. Davenport to break a large cavity into the tomb of Shakespeare. Mr. — told the writer that he was excited by curiosity to push his head and shoulders through the cavity, that he saw the remains of the bard and that he could easily have brought away his skull, but was deterred by the curse which the poet invoked on any one who disturbed his remains."

The attempt at a later day to meddle with the tomb had no more effective ending.—New York Tribune.

South American Animals.
Many curious animals haunt the marshy parts of South America north of the pampas. Frogs big and ferocious (the ceratophrys), given to mak-

ing vicious springs when closely approached; the capybara, a cavy "contented with the bulk of the sheep;" the huge capy rat and the swarthy tapir are frequently seen. Along the forest margins troops of peccaries are often met with, occasionally the jaguar, sometimes the puma; likewise that toothless curiosity the great ant bear, long in claw, long nosed and remarkably long tongued. Very plentiful, too, are those "little knights in scaly armor," the quaint, waddling armadillos. Long toed jacanas pace about upon the floating leaves. A familiar object is the great jabiru, a stork with a preference for the desolate lagoons, where it may often be observed statuesque on one leg and wrapped in preoccupation.

Big Tips For Little Favors.
"It is surprising," said a veteran Pullman porter, "how big a tip a porter sometimes gets for doing a very little thing." He added:
"A passenger once tipped me extra because he said I did not leave his shoestrings coiled up inside his shoes after I had blacked them. He said nothing made him madder than to step on his shoes in a hurry in a sleeper only to find that he had to take them off again because the shoestrings were inside. Ever since that time I have been careful not to leave shoestrings inside of the shoes I black, and more than one passenger has thanked me for being thoughtful. But it wasn't me that did the thinking. The tip did that for me, and I never forgot it."—Leslie's Weekly.

In the Right Direction.
Bishop Blomfield was one of the many witty Englishmen whose good things have found their way into a volume of reminiscences, "Leaves From the Notebooks of Lady Dorothy Nevill."
Bishop Blomfield was led into a controversy one time with a learned man as to the mental superiority of the east over the west, and his opponent as a parting shot said:
"Well, at any rate, you can't dispute that the wise men came from the east."

"Surely that was the wisest thing they could do!" retorted the bishop.

A Futile Boast.
"Love me and the world is mine," he said.
"What's the use of saying that?" she replied. "I've been loving you for weeks and you haven't even succeeded in getting a good job."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Marriage is a lottery in which men stake their liberty and women their happiness.—Mme. de Rieux.

Not Acting.
Actor—All the newspapers say my impersonation of Caesar last night was absolutely real. Rival—Perhaps that's so. Everybody I've met says it certainly wasn't acting.

Preserve your just relations to other men. Their misconduct does not affect your duties.—Epictetus

Worked It Off.
Just what may happen to a man who isn't strictly honest was illustrated on a street car a few days ago. A man handed the conductor a dollar and asked for a strip of tickets. He received his five tickets, and then the conductor fumbled around for change and managed to make a "mistake." He handed the man two half dollars instead of 75 cents. The man put away the money without saying a word and in a couple of minutes worked his way to the front of the car and got off. "Say, conductor," said an interested observer, "did you know you didn't give that man the right change?" The conductor smiled complacently. "That's all right," he said. "If he'd been honest and returned that bad half dollar I'd have given him a good quarter for it. I've been trying to get rid of that piece of money for a week. I guess he deserved to get stung."—Philadelphia Record.

Beautiful Appearance.
A remarkable experience once befell Mark Twain in Australia, which, he said, determined him never again to judge by appearances. He had just landed at an Australian port, and, to his chagrin, there was no porter in sight to carry his luggage. Seeing a rough looking, badly dressed old fellow leaning idly against a post with his hands in his pockets, the author beckoned to him and said:
"See here, if you'll carry these bags up to the hotel I'll give you half a dollar."

The man scowled darkly, and, taking three or four golden sovereigns from his pocket, he deliberately threw them into the sea, scowled at Mark Twain again and walked away without a word.
Both Tainted.
"You are in the employ of that millionaire up on the hill, aren't you?" snapped the sharp faced woman who ran the butter and egg shop.
"Yes, ma'am," responded the man in the white apron, "and I want two pounds of butter for my master's table. He said he'd send to town after it, only the roads are so bad."

"He did, eh? Well, we are not particular about his trade. Did you tell him I said his money was tainted?"
"Indeed, I did."

"And what did he say?"
"Said so was your blamed old butler."—Chicago News.

A Fixed Law.
"You are positive this happened on Tuesday?" demanded counsel.
"I am," said the witness.
"Sure it was Tuesday?"
"Yes."

"Why not Thursday or Friday?"
"Because we had chicken that day. Chicken day is Tuesday where I board."—Louisville Courier-Journal.



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WEDNESDAY.

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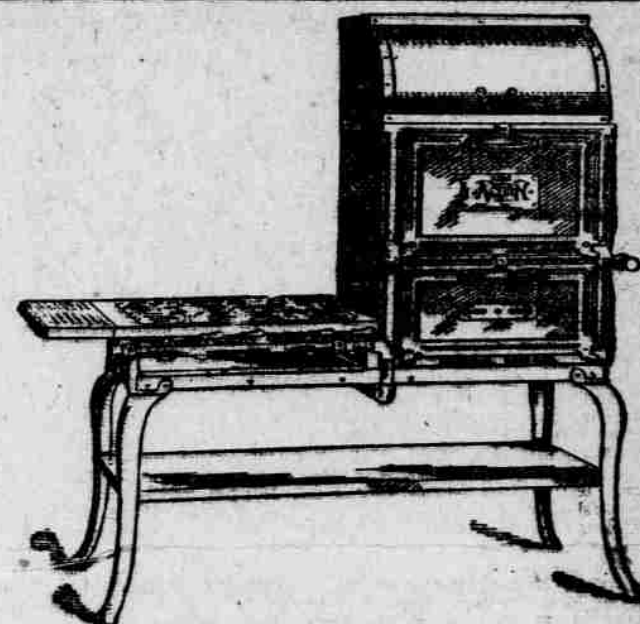
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Roast of Beef, Brown Sauce, Corn Meal Souffle, Fruit Turnover.

FRIDAY.

Nut Loaf with Celery Sauce, Cheese Croquettes, Heidelberg Fudding.

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